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14-year-old Filipino grandmaster Dubai Open champion

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RP debt rising yearly by P140B in last 7 years

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Mindanao cop, prime suspect in Comelec killings, arrested



A CHILD IS WAITING She carries a kilo of rice while waiting for her mother to buy more NFA rice at P18.25 a kilo, which subsidized variety will soon be sold only to the poorest.

US rolls out red carpet welcome for Pope

ROME—FLYING ON A SPECIALLY CHARtered Alitalia plane dubbed "Shepherd One," Pope Benedict XVI left Rome on Tuesday on a six-day trip to the United States, where he will pray at Ground Zero in New York, address the United Nations and try to heal wounds from a sexual abuse scandal.

US SETS/A6

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World oil, rice prices hit record highs

SYDNEY—OIL AND RICE HIT record highs on Tuesday, leading gains for commodities as supply concerns intensified. Concerns about the US economy and fresh doubts about credit markets eroded confidence in the dollar.

The move back into commodities also lifted gold and other agricultural products.

"The broad weak dollar trend hasn't changed, and the market is returning to economic data and earnings results this week for clues, with the bias towards dollar selling," said a senior dealer at a European bank.

US light crude for May delivery touched a high of $112.40 a barrel, and is up 17 percent from the start of the year.

"After the oil price reached the ($112.21) level, buying orders pushed up the price," said Tony Nunan, fund manager at Amtrans Co. Ltd., adding he expected the next target to be $115 a barrel.

Mexico—one of the top exporters to the US market—kept its three main crude oil exporting ports in the Gulf of Mexico, which ship about 80 percent of its crude exports, shut on

WORLD/A11

Business backs pay hike

Gov't orders immediate stop to land conversion

By TJ Burgonio

TAKING A CUE FROM THE EXperts, Agrarian Reform Secretary Nasser Pangandaman yesterday ordered an immediate stop to the conversion of agricultural lands to real estate development in the face of a feared shortage in the supply of rice.

Pangandaman issued a memorandum imposing a moratorium on the processing and approval of applications for land use conversion (LUC) in the Department of Agrarian Reform central office in Quezon City and regional offices.

"You are hereby advised to temporarily suspend the processing and approval of all LUC applications," he said in the memo-

GOV'T/A22



ANCESTRAL RICE Streaks of sunrise spotlighting the centuries-old rice terraces in Viewpoint Village, Banaue, Ifugao, herald a new day and new hope. For the Ifugao folk, the newly planted rice paddies give them a sense of security in a time of food crisis. But life goes on as the Ifugao folk start this year's three-day celebration of the Imbayah cultural festival, which highlights their native games, sports, arts and crafts.

Workers seek P50 to P150 increase

By Ronnel W. Domingo, Margaux C. Ortiz and Michael Lim Ubac

TWO BUSINESS groups yesterday expressed support for President Macapagal-Arroyo's order to the regional tripartite wage boards to convene and determine by how much to increase the minimum wages of workers in the private sector to help them cope with the rising costs of food and fuel.

Alberto A. Lim, Makati Business Club executive director, said a wage hike was "something we may support" considering that inflation was rising.

"A wage hike would be justified and it's time," Lim said, but he suggested that it may be better to let the markets stabilize first.

"It's panic time and some of the demands may be emotional," he said.

Sergio Ortiz-Luis Jr., president of the Employers' Confederation of the Philippines

BUSINESS/A9

Bush orders $200-M food aid for poor nations

WASHINGTON—PRESIDENT George W. Bush ordered on Monday the release of $200 million in emergency aid to help nations where surging food prices have brought worse hunger and sparked violent protests.

On Sunday, the president of the World Bank, Robert Zoellick, had urged rich countries to act

BUSH/A16

Palace hot on 'people's bread,' 'bread bandits'

By Christine O. Avendaño and Margaux C. Ortiz

BESIDES RICE HOARDERS, MALACAÑANG is now running after what it calls "bread bandits," or those engaged in price gouging involving bakery products.

To cushion the impact of rising flour-based products, the Palace will introduce affordable bread for the masses.

The "poorest of the poor" will be able to enjoy the "tinapay ng bayan (people's bread)" that comes in the form of pan de sal and sliced bread without the high costs but with the same quality of the pricier bread in the commercial market.

President Macapagal-Arroyo and her Cabinet got to sample the bread at yesterday's Cabinet meeting.

"The President found the bread to be good. We all ate it," Agriculture Secretary Arthur Yap told reporters after the Cabinet meeting that was held at the Department of Justice in Manila.

The "tinapay ng bayan," which is being made by a flour millers' group, will be dis-

PALACE/A22

13 suspected rice hoarders charged

By Tina G. Santos, Margaux C. Ortiz and Christine O. Avendaño

IN PARALLEL MOVES AIMED AT ENsuring a steady supply of rice, the Arroyo administration yesterday filed charges of hoarding against 13 people and moved to deport two Chinese nationals allegedly belonging to a cartel controlling supplies of the cereal in Isabela province.

In a separate crackdown, police on Monday seized 334 bags of Thailand rice and 3,308 bags of commercial rice in an apparent warehouse in Silang, Cavite.

National Bureau of Investigation Director Nestor Mantaring said the 13 were charged with hoarding, illegal price manipulation, unauthorized possession of NFA rice and unauthorized re-bagging of government rice into commercial sacks.

The filing of the charges followed an order by President Macapagal-Arroyo for the NBI to assist the Department of

13 SUSPECTED/A22

Antigraft bloc, law schools to catch big fish

By Ronnel W. Domingo and Tarra Quismundo

A COALITION OF BUSINESSMEN, bishops, lawyers, nongovernment workers, watchdog volunteers and members of the academe has launched a fresh attack on high-level corruption aptly tagged "Catching the Big Fish."

The Coalition Against Corruption (CAC), which was formed some four years ago to fight government fraud, has partnered with graduates of the country's top law schools, including the University of the Philippines, Ateneo de Manila University and Far Eastern University, in its renewed effort to "build a culture of antipathy toward corruption" and to harness disparate ef-

ANTIGRAFT/A22



BETTER LATE THAN LATER On the last day for paying income tax, thousands rush to BIR offices swamping its computer system and forcing a 2-day deadline extension to April 17. (Story on Page A2.)

Shh! Quiet, silencio, shut up! It's int'l noise awareness day

By Jocelyn R. Uy

IT'S TIME FOR SOME PEACE AND quiet.

Starting at 2:15 p.m. today, 13th International Noise Awareness Day, Filipinos are encouraged to observe at least 60 seconds of silence.

"With just a minute of silence, one can really tell the difference," Dr. Christopher Calaquian told the Inquirer.

Unknown to many, the No. 1 cause of hearing loss for all ages, even infants, is noise above 85 decibels, according to Calaquian, who chairs the advocacy committee of the Philip-

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Gov't debt balloons to P3.7 trillion

Tax shortfalls, support for public firms among causes of galloping obligation

WHAT'S INSIDE

By TJ Burgonio

THE TOTAL DEBT OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNment has ballooned to P3.7 trillion as of 2007, the House budget department said yesterday.

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Taxpayers swamp BIR; firms' deadline extended

[illegible]

Miriam falls from hotel stage

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Speaker mulls takeover of idle property

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SC defers action on Senate plea

By Leila B. Salaverria in Manila and the Northern Luzon Bureau

THE SUPREME COURT HAS deferred action on the Senate's motion for reconsideration on the high tribunal's decision to uphold the President's claim of executive privilege on three questions regarding the government's controversial broadband deal with China.

The high court also resolved to require Romulo Neri, former director general of the National Economic and Development Authority, as well as the Office of the Solicitor General, which represents the government, to comment on the pleading.

The comments should be filed within 10 days, after which the Senate would be asked to reply within another 10 days, the tribunal said [illegible]

The justices are in Baguio City for the summer session.

The Senate, in its motion for reconsideration, warned that the nation was on the road to "autocracy" unless the Supreme Court reversed its March 25 ruling on executive privilege, upholding the right of Neri to refuse to answer questions.

The ruling has been criticized by columnists and legal experts, including former Chief Justice Artemio Panganiban who called on the magistrates to overturn their ruling.

The tribunal, in a statement, also said it denied the two motions seeking the inhibition of Justices Conchita Carpio Morales, Adolfo Azcuna, Consuelo Ynares-Santiago and Antonio Carpio, who were among those who had dissented in the executive privilege decision.

The motion against Morales and Azcuna was filed by Alexander Villanueva, who had sought to intervene in the case but was rebuffed.

Lawyer Antonio Bulleza, on the other hand, asked Santiago and Carpio to inhibit themselves from the case.

According to earlier reports, Bulleza wanted Santiago and Carpio to recuse themselves from the case because they were appointed to the high court by President Macapagal-Arroyo.

Bulleza also allegedly said that Santiago's nephew had been appointed by the President to the Laguna Lake Development Authority, while Carpio used to be a partner in the Villaraza, Cruz, Marcelo and Angangco law office, the former law firm of the First Family.

Members of Bagong Alyansang Makabayan (Bayan), the Cordillera Peoples Alliance and church leaders gathered yesterday at the tribunal's session compound in Baguio.

Renato Reyes Jr., Bayan secretary general, gave a copy of an open letter addressed to the justices to court personnel.

In their open letter, they asked for the reversal of the high court's ruling in the Neri case, saying that executive privilege was subordinate to the higher values of transparency and accountability, except when national security was involved.

"Executive privilege must not be conveniently used as a shield to shield a sitting Chief Executive from any accountability for anomalous deals or to obstruct inquiries and measures that would prevent questionable executive agreements in the future," the letter said.

"Such abuse of the privilege is contrary to Article XI, Section 1 of the Philippine Constitution, which states that public office is a public trust and public officers and employees must at all times be accountable to the people," it said.

Report to UN was criticized, lawyers claim

By Jerome Aning

A GROUP OF LAWYERS HAS ACCUSED THE government of reporting "bowdlerized lies and half-truths" to the United Nations Human Rights Council when it made a presentation at the UNHRC Universal Periodic Review in Geneva last week.

The National Union of People's Lawyers, chaired by Romeo Capulong, ridiculed the claim made by the delegation headed by Executive Secretary Eduardo Ermita that the government's report was applauded by council members.

The NUPL, in an assessment of the UPR session, claimed that many countries took the Philippines to task for its human rights record, listing 18 countries that questioned or commented about the human rights situation in the country.

The NUPL, which sent its deputy secretary general, lawyer Edre Olalia, to observe the UPR session in Geneva, is part of the Philippine UPR Watch, a multisectoral coalition campaigning to have the UN body pressure the Philippines on human rights.

Olalia reported that the applause at the end of Ermita's presentation initiated by the Romanian envoy temporarily chairing the council was a mere diplomatic gesture and had no bearing on the contents of the report, according to NUPL secretary general Neri Javier Colmenares.

Olalia also reported that several countries—France, Norway, Slovenia, Japan, New Zealand, UK, Canada, Latvia, Azerbaijan, Brazil, Algeria, Korea, Australia, Switzerland, Netherlands, Mexico, and even the United States—asked "pointed" questions on the human rights situation in the Philippines.

For instance, he said Norway asked what measures were being undertaken by the government and how did they relate to the extrajudicial killings and disappearances.

Canada expressed concern over the "state of impunity" prevailing in the Philippines, including the impact of President Macapagal-Arroyo's Administrative Order 197 on the writ of amparo, he said.

Australia questioned the lack of information on the exact position of the Philippine government on the recommendations of Philip Alston, the UN special rapporteur on human rights who was sent to report on the situation here.

France and Switzerland not only tolerated their concern over the killings but commented over the ineffective prosecution of perpetrators. Japan and Brazil raised similar issues.

Australia offers study grants

THE 2009 AUSTRALIAN LEADERSHIP Awards (ALA) Scholarships is reviewing applicants, according to Australian ambassador-designate to the Philippines Rod Smith.

"The ALA Scholarships is a prestigious program open to current and emerging leaders in the Asia-Pacific region," Smith said.

ALA is one of the Australian government's programs managed by the Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID) which gives over A$151 million annually in scholarships through its aid program.

The scholarships are for study at the master's and doctorate levels in Australian universities. Up to 250 scholarships are being offered in 2009 to the Philippines and other countries in the Asia-Pacific region.

Scholars will be selected on the basis of leadership qualities and academic achievements. Sixteen scholars were selected from the Philippines in 2008.

Awards are open to all fields of study, but programs related to the priority themes of shared regional interest—international trade, pandemics, security and climate change, including clean energy—are encouraged.

The deadline for submission of applications is June 30. Further information may be obtained at http://www.ausaid.gov.au/scholar/ala.cfm

Corrections

IN THE APRIL 14 ISSUE, a front-page story misstated that scientists had found a new species of mangrove in Masbate, Zamboanga. What they found was a rare hybrid, not a new species. The hybrid mangrove (Rhizophora x lamarckii) is produced by "bakauan lalaki" (Rhizophora apiculata) and "bakauan babae" (Rhizophora mucronata). Unlike species, hybrids cannot reproduce.

In the same issue, a front-page caption for the same story mistakenly identified the person in the photo as Nestor Ilast. The person was Dr. Severino Salmo.

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Libel rap to shush me, says prelate

Judge gets 4 years for sex harassment

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Non-wage benefits

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Escudero bats for P125-wage hike

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New wage commission

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Staying alive for family of 6

Question of execution: Problems, solutions on rice well known

World oil, rice prices reach record levels

Bush orders $200-M food aid …

'Ambo' exits; summer is back

By TJ Burgonio

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Commissioner, Commission on Human Rights of the Philippines

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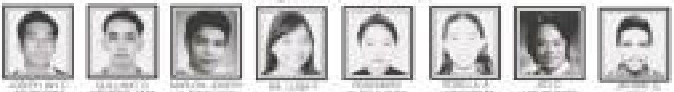
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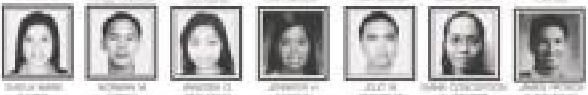


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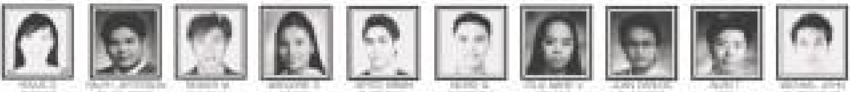
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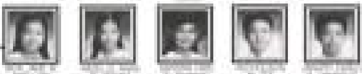
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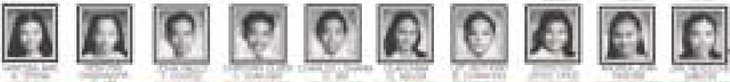
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GMA policy: Money, money, money!

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Bring it to Plaza Miranda

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Fil-Am is most severely wounded Iraq vet

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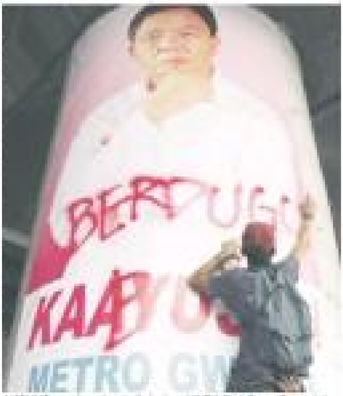
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Ambeth R. Ocampo

Poverty, hunger statistics debunk claims of prosperity

Fernando going for bigger stage with old trick



A YOUNG man shows how he feels about MMDA Chair Bayani Fernando's latest gimmick to educate citizens.

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Crisis in price, not supply, says solon



CONSUMERS fall in line for NFA rice in Baguio City

ILAGAN, ISABELA—THE COUNTRY SHOULD BE concerned about a crisis in the price, not supply, of rice, according to Isabela Rep. Edwin Uy.

Silay mayor, 28 others face raps over P18-M computer project

Carabao disappearing in Pangasinan, Ilocos, execs say



German in Boracay rape, murder case wants to pay bail

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Rebels disarm watchmen

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Fishing crew survive

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The humorous side of the Ifugao people



Piano playing is his therapy



OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PRESIDENTIAL ANTI-GRAFT COMMISSION

Marks its 7th Year of a BETTER FIGHT Against CORRUPTION

President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo, at the start of her Administration, cited fighting corruption as one of her KEY PRIORITIES.

The Presidential Anti-Graft Commission (PAGC) was created on April 16, 2001 by virtue of Executive Order No. 12. The President created the PAGC, enlisting the body as her right arm in her desire to eradicate the scourge of corruption. With the PAGC as a complement to the Ombudsman, the President has put more force and power to her campaign against corruption.

The PAGC was created with the President's vision for a corruption-free Philippines marked by transparency and accountability in governance. Its mission is to serve as arm in eradicating corruption through effective deterrence.

To add strength in its fight against corruption, the PAGC was directed by the President to adopt a holistic or total approach to the age-old problem in accordance with the 2004-2010 Medium Term Philippine Development Plan (MTPDP) of the Macapagal-Arroyo Administration.

INTEGRITY DEVELOPMENT ACTION PLAN (IDAP)

PGMA's Blueprint to stamp out corruption.

The desire to weed out corruption was strengthened with the President's vision and initiative. IDAP sets a hallmark milestone for its holistic and total approach in fighting corruption. PAGC is empowered with a truly intensive solution; it presented a whole new way of governance. The fight is not just active against the presence of corruption, but more importantly, the PREVENTION of it.

IDAP: 4-point Total Plan Against Corruption.

The action plan is composed of 22 feasible measures that are classified under 4-point clusters.

1. **PREVENTION:** The implementation of reforms in the system to minimize and ultimately eradicate opportunities and tendencies for corruption.
2. **EDUCATION:** Values formation of public servant on the DO's and DON'Ts of Public Service. Supplemented with an Advocacy campaign to counter negative public opinion on otherwise honest public servants.
3. **INVESTIGATION AND ENFORCEMENT:** Strengthening of an effective system to encourage public support, quick response, effective prosecution, disciplined action, professionalism, and publicity of successful cases.
4. **STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP:** Enjoining the support and participation of the public in the fight against corruption.

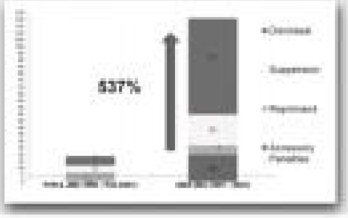
IDAP: PGMA's Blueprint now a reality.

Now, PAGC has 120 IDAP-implementing agencies, furthering the President's sincere vision of eradicating corruption, a noble effort for poverty alleviation. PAGC is in the process of cascading the IDAP nationwide through the Regional Development Councils (RDCs).

Just in its 7th year, PAGC has reaped the fruits of its holistic approach in its campaign against corruption. With greater support from the public and more complainants coming out to report irregularities, the Office of the President affirmed the recommendation of PAGC to penalize more than 120 high-ranking officials which is 537% more than the combined efforts of the Ramos and Estrada Administrations. The success of PAGC in this case is aimed towards making corruption a high-risk, low-reward activity.

In the seven years of its existence, the PAGC has served notice to past and would-be graft and corrupt public officials that the agency MEANS BUSINESS.





Anti-Corruption Drive Accomplishment Report of the Macapagal-Arroyo Administration

For the first time in history of the government of the Philippines, a full chapter on Anti-Corruption was incorporated in the MTPDP: "Anti-corruption efforts will focus on three areas of reform : (1) Punitive measures that include effective enforcement of anti-corruption laws...; (2) preventive measures that include the strengthening of anti-corruption laws, improvement of integrity systems...; (3) promotion of zero-tolerance for corruption (MTPDP 2004-2010, Chapter 21: Anti-Corruption)

A brief summary of the strides that PGMA has taken in her anti-corruption drive:

1. PREVENTION

- Highest spending vs. corruption. The Ombudsman budget has more than doubled since 2002 to Php 974 M in 2007. Release of Php 1B Presidential Anti-Corruption Fund managed by PAGC. Implementation of the $300,000 PAGC-WB Project on strengthening of Internal Audit Units for effective procurement monitoring and enforcement.
- Enactment of Government Procurement Reform Act (RA 9184) which subjects all government agencies (national band local) to a uniform and simple set of procurement rules and regulations. Use of internal audit as an anti-corruption tool.
- Installation of the electronic New Government Accounting System (eNGAS) to enhance uniformity in the application of government accounting rules and facilitate consolidation of financial reports.
- Passage of Anti-Red Tape Law (RA 9485)
- Streamlining of procedures at all agencies in the Executive Branch. Raising the salaries of PNP officers and personnel to minimize temptation for corruption.
- Use of internal audit as an anti-corruption tool as this takes a look at all facets of management from financial sys tems, policies, etc.

2. EDUCATION:

- Adoption of Graft and Corruption Prevention Education Teaching Exemplars, a set of teaching guidelines set to instill honesty, integrity and public service among elementary and high school students in public schools (A program executed under the auspices of the OMB and DepEd).
- Conduct of Graduate Certificate Course on Corruption Prevention (PAGC in partnership with USAID-ROLE), PNP Values and Leadership Course and Good Citizenship Values Movement
- The Civil Service Commission issued resolutions establishing review and compliance procedure in the filing of Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Net Worth (SALN).

3. INVESTIGATION AND ENFORCEMENT:

- The project "Run after Smugglers" (RATS) filed a total of 60 criminal cases involving 265 respondents with a total of $25.71M.
- The BIR won two (2) Tax Credit Scam cases against Petron Oil amounting to $28.78M.
- The Office of the Ombudsman Raised the conviction rate for anti-graft cases from 19% in 2006 to 58% in 2007.
- The Sandiganbayan has issued orders of forefeiture involving $13.4M in 2007.
- In 2007, Ombudsman petitions for forfeiture of unexplained wealth before the Sandiganbayan involved $11.8M.
- COA issued 2,276 Notices of Disallowances amounting to $91.2M. It also slapped 216 Notice of Suspensions covering $539M and 17 Notice of Charges covering $2.88M.
- In September 2007, the Ombudsman scored a conviction against former President Estrada when he was pronounced by the Sandiganbayan guilty of the crime of plunder.
- The Supreme Court is now monitoring the issuance of Temporary Restraining Orders (TROs) by the Court of Appeals, thus, resulting in a significant decrease of issued TROs.

4. STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP:

- Enlisting of civil society groups as observers and monitors to the Bids and Awards Committee (BAC)
- Inclusion of the CSO as official member of the Procurement Transparency Group to monitor government contracts involving large amount of money
- Continuous support by funding/donor agencies.

Despite its numerous and significant strides, the PAGC will not rest on its laurels in its relentless pursuit of its vision of a corruption-free Philippines and in assisting President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo in her mandate to achieve full transparency and accountability in government.

Corruption BEAT IT!

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Ex-NFA head proposes 18-point action plan

Gov't orders immediate suspension of land conversion



RICE THIEVES WARNED

Land inventory

Collegial decision

Palace hot on the trail of 'people's bread,' 'bread bandits'

Consumers' Bill of Rights

Seven pieces for P12

Respondents

Administrative cases

13 suspected rice hoarders charged



HELP IS ON THE WAY

Valenzuela group

Deportation proceedings

Cavite suspects

Gov't to pull out NFA rice from wet markets to sell to poorest

Poverty map

Access cards

Unesco report urges immediate revamp of global farming rules

Antigraft coalition taps law schools to catch big fish









News

Denials abound in Burgos amparo hearing

By Leila B. Salaverria

RETIRED ARMY COMMANDING GENERAL LT. Gen. Romeo Tolentino has denied involvement in the abduction of missing activist Jonas Burgos.

A plus METRO





Suspect in Comelec killings arrested

Alleged lookout in 1 case still missing







'Garbology' marathon, fluvial parade to mark Earth Day

Messages

Launch

Police camp residents' TRO petition junked



A BRIDGE TOO FAR

Robbers break into former senator's home in Quezon City

Open window

Admission

Argument

Surprise witness takes stand in Leviste trial today

Ex-cops suspects in QC robbery

DID YOU KNOW

Suspect in Comelec killings arrested

"Not related"

METROBRIEFS

Man killed, wife hurt in accident

Fire hits house in Taguig City

Ramon Magsaysay High School grand alumni homecoming

Berlusconi wins Italy polls

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NOTICE OF FILING OF APPLICATION/S FOR ALIEN EMPLOYMENT PERMIT/S (AEP/S)

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Meycauayan, Bulacan

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

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WorldBriefs

British journalist freed in Iraq

UN probe of Bhutto killing urged

Maoists lead in Nepal polls

Poland marks ghetto revolt

Bomb blasts kill 53 across Iraq

Zimbabwe opposition calls for general strike

HARARE—ZIMBABWE'S OPPOSITION POLITIcal party called a nationwide strike on Tuesday after the country's High Court rejected an appeal for the immediate release of delayed presidential election results.

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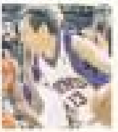
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Editor Teddyvic S. Melendres Assistant Editor Francis T.J. Ochoa

Suns eliminate Warriors /A32





HARBOUR Centre's Jason Castro plays the hero's role again.

Near-perfect Batang Pier hold off Sparks

By Jasmine W. Payo

HARBOUR CENTRE PULLED OFF A NEAR-perfect game to sustain its perfect PBL run.

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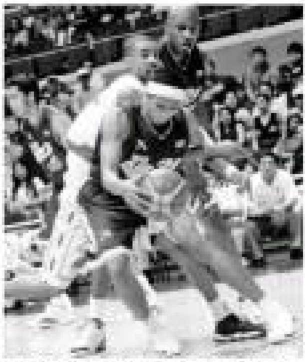






Brilliant Wesley tops tough Dubai Open

Barako begin life sans Junthy, take on Giants



PBA All-Stars: Merry mix of sports, culture



Liga Pilipinas starts May 23 in 3 key cities

Not so smart MVP moves by Smart

BARE EYE



Fiery Marcelo strikes again



MARCELO

Ateneo battles Perpetual

Transport show kicks off today

SHAKEY'S V-LEAGUE

Adamson tossers repeat over FEU

By [illegible]

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SPORTS WATCH

GCAP 6-cock derby today

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Suns eliminate Warriors



NBA STANDINGS

Sharapova eyes another clay win

Yankees foil 'curse' plot



3-way fight for Ladies Fed League golf semis

BUSINESS

OFW remittances jumped 16% in Feb.

CURRENCIES



STOCK MARKET

Stocks continue to weaken



More skilled, highly paid workers leaving RP

MONEY SENT HOME BY OVERSEAS FILIPINOS through banks jumped 16 percent to $1.3 billion in February from a year ago on increased deployment of higher skilled workers.

Bank lending up 9.4% on record-low interest rates

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SAT investing $500M in telecom project in Subic

Company eyes Smart, Globe as among target clients

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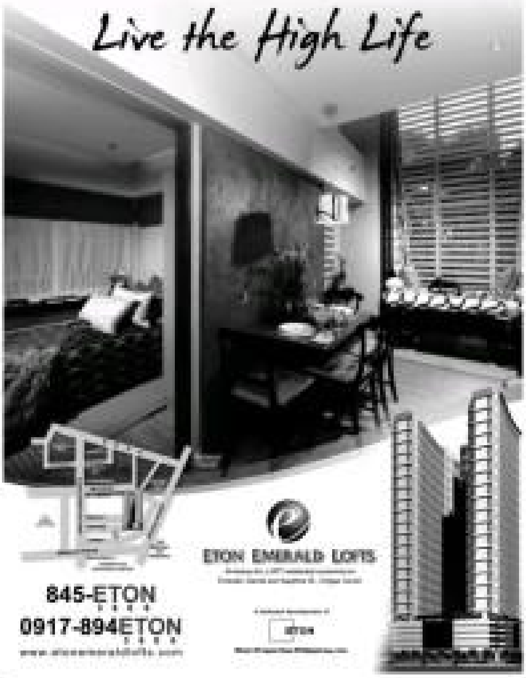
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Cebu Pac boosts JG Summit's '07 profit



NOTICE OF TENDER OFFER TO SHAREHOLDERS OF KEPPEL PHILIPPINES MARINE, INC. (FORMERLY KEPPEL SHIPYARD, INC.)

PAL posts $1.4B in sales, launches low-cost brand

FPHC sets yield on ₱3-B issue

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By [illegible]

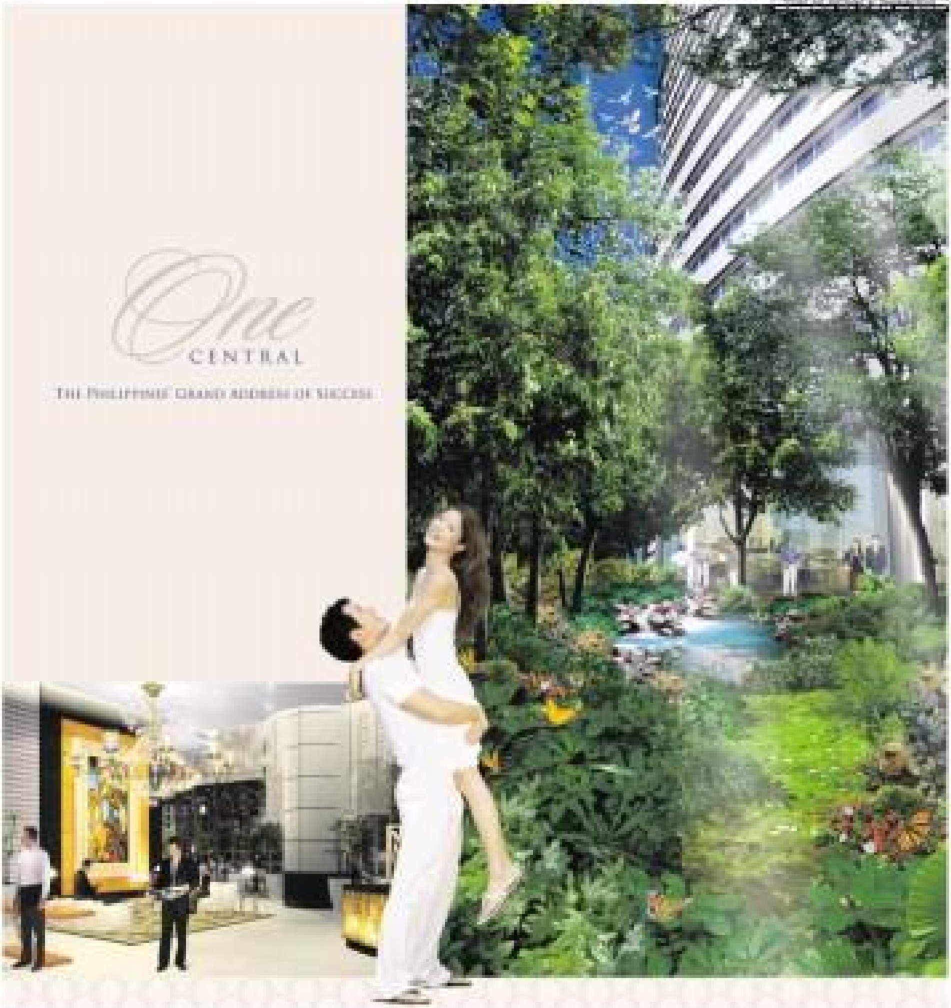
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IMF urges RP to withdraw income tax perks

Move to take away incentives to be matched by cut in corporate tax

New owner set to take over Masinloc plant

In Congress, Pag-Ibig bills gain support



LIVE ABOVE A ONE-OF-A-KIND FOREST PARK. BE CODDLED IN A SPECTACULAR LOBBY.
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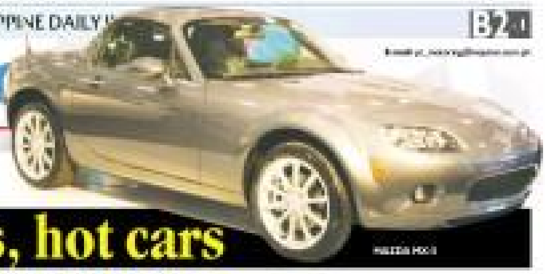
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MEGAWORLD

Editor Cesar D. Mangawang

MOTORING

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MAZDA MX-5

RP flooded with auto shows, hot cars

By [illegible]

THE LAST STRIP OF CONFETTI from the Manila International Auto Show, attended by over 77,000 visitors, has barely been swept off the spacious hall of the World Trade Center, and yet the fireworks begin again for another car show, the [illegible] Show 2008 Mega Trade Hall at SM Megamall. But that's another story for [illegible] enthusiasts.

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THE MANILA International Auto Show



SUBARU Impreza WRX

Mazda MX-5 PRHT (RP launch)

The two-seater Mazda MX-5 PRHT is now available for sale. Dubbed as the world's best-selling sports car, it single-handedly revived the roadster genre. [illegible]

It [illegible] Retractable Hard Top or PRHT [illegible] on the third-generation MX-5.

Subaru Impreza WRX/WRX STI (RP launch)

[illegible] the introduction of [illegible] variants of its [illegible] Impreza, Subaru is [illegible] for its rally-bred [illegible] the 2.5 WRX with 230 hp and the Impreza WRX STI. The legendary "STI" suffix stands for Subaru Tecnica International, Subaru's in-house performance team.

With Dual Active Valve Control (Dual AVCS), the STI reaches a peak 305 hp. [illegible] Driver Control Center Differential (DCCD).

BMW M3 Coupe (public debut)

[illegible] BMW M3. [illegible] 4.8 seconds. [illegible] 3 Series Coupe, the M3 is built from the ground up in order to become an even more superior driving machine.

It starts from the right engine: a 4.0-liter V8 [illegible] 420 hp and 400 Nm of torque. [illegible]

MP-B2-4

They don't make cars like they used to

MY DRAFT



'Driver aids'

Point, shoot driving style



RP flooded with auto shows, hot cars



WORLD-RENOWNED precision driver ... in the all-new Subaru Impreza WRX STI.

Mitsubishi Lancer (public debut), Lancer Evolution X (RP launch)

Honda Accord (public debut)

Chrysler 300C Startech (public debut)

Mazda5 (public debut)





JEEP Wrangler

Ford Escape, Everest, Ranger (New Off-Road Challenge)

Chana Benni (RP launch)

Chery A1, V2, Rarry, Tiggo AT

Jeep Wrangler Unlimited

Kama Trucks

Suzuki APV Type-II (public debut)

Sinag Solar Car (special display)



CHERY A1

Ford Focus TDCi Race Car

Chinese cars invade Manila International Auto Show



ON THE ROAD







Full preview on fuel deposits

Long-drive tips to gear up for summer

New expressway to be launched



Tougher tires from Goodyear

Text and photos by Charles E. Buban

MENTION KEVLAR and the bullet-proof vest immediately comes to mind. However, these days, Kevlar has found its way into the mainstream that almost all products that need to be light, strong and durable have this high-tech material.

And a tire lined with Kevlar is no exception. Just a few weeks ago, tire and rubber giant Goodyear launched in Kuala Lumpur its newest line of premium passenger tires under the Assurance brand.

[illegible]

Dominate

[illegible]

[illegible]

Five times stronger

[illegible]



THE ASSURANCE tire won't stop bullets or prevent punctures but Goodyear explained that having a Kevlar overlay makes it more resistant to punctures.

[illegible]

Several technologies

[illegible]

Improved grip

[illegible]



DURING THE REGIONAL launch held in Kuala Lumpur, Goodyear demonstrated the improved braking distance of Assurance (right car) tires versus a competing brand.

Stradcom vows better service for motoring public

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Concerns

[illegible]

Pavement works at NLEX set

[illegible]



SYDENHAM CEO TEST-DRIVES PRIUS

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2bU LIFESTYLE

Editor Thelma Sioson San Juan · Chief of Correspondents Pam Pastor



People are talking about Chikatime

It's the real-life Gossip Girl whose entries range from shocking to downright nasty

By Micah Gomez

SPOTTED IN A HOTEL IN Las Vegas, Nevada, a former "That's Entertainment" actor now playing the role of his life—as a bellboy in a casino hotel.

[illegible]

Blogs for the sole

Check out these shrines to footwear

By Mico Mark M. Saldua

2bU Correspondent

ADMIT IT OR NOT, THERE'S AN Imelda in all of us. [illegible]



Shoe Blog

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Pastel pretty





Boot camp

Express the ind

Quirky, pretty, strange—but always interesting

Pile on the layers





Lolita look

Knee-h



New shoes, new life

My shiny pumps will take me places the moment I leave college



CD REVIEWS

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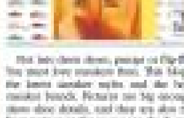
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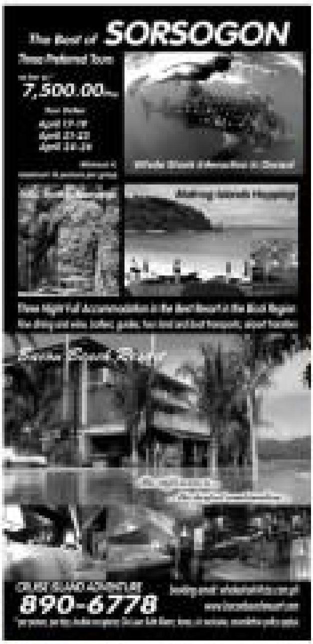
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Converse Freaks

Secret Croc Club

Domino fun in YouTube

Books, coins, bags and shoes, even people—the fun is in the substitution



REMEMBER WHEN YOU WERE A KID AND YOU DIDN'T have anyone to play dominoes with? You just lined them all up, pushed the first piece and then watched everything fall down, domino-style.

Well, several people have come up with variations of that game. Some have incorporated other materials, while others have substituted actual domino pieces with surprising objects.

These YouTube vids will not only enthrall you for a couple of minutes, they'll also make you realize how substitution can make things even more entertaining.

[illegible]

Domino coins in the office



[illegible]

Human dominoes



[illegible]

Library dominoes



[illegible]

Dominoes plus billiards



[illegible]

Japanese dominoes



[illegible]



You can overdose on over-the-counter drugs

More and more kids land in the ER. Know what each medicine does to you



IN THE REEL WORLD OF comedy, we've seen grannies get high on cough syrup and ... We've also laughed when a seafood-allergic Will Smith turned into a drunken lump of jelly just moments after downing whole bottles of Benadryl in the rom-com flick "Hitch."

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Cough remedies

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Acetaminophen

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Aspirin

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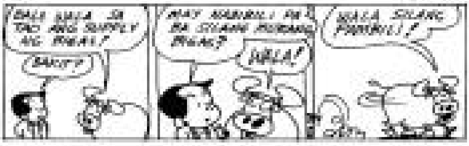


DON'T self-medicate.

SHIRLEY'S PETS

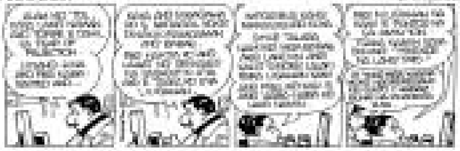


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PUGAD BABOY



DIVINE COMEDY

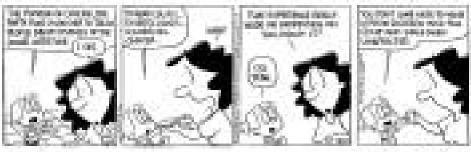


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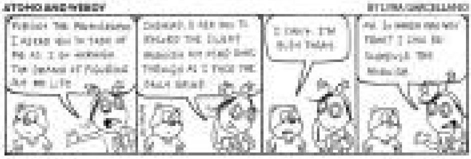




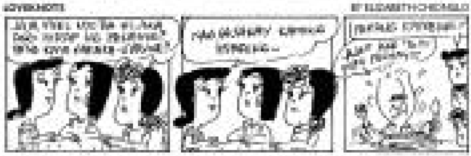
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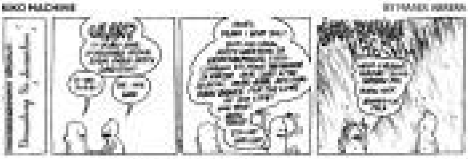


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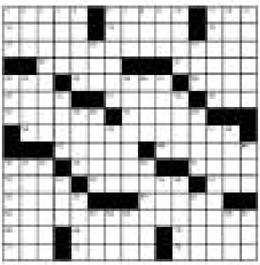




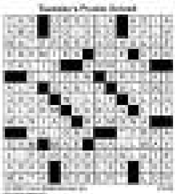
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DAILY CROSSWORD



Yesterday's Puzzle Solved



HOROSCOPE

BY FRANCIS DRAKE

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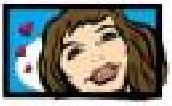
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Difficulty Level ★★★

HOW TO PLAY SU DOKU

Answer to previous puzzle

Still without a ring after 13 months of engagement



Drug do's and don't's

Do not self-medicate

Read the labels

Know your health



Don't mix drugs

Store drugs properly

Always call for help

Listen to your doctor

Haiku writing contest

You can overdose on over-the-counter drugs

Antihistamines and sleeping pills

Diet pills

What to do after a breakup

LOOK FORWARD TO THE DAY WHEN YOU can tell yourself, "What was I thinking?"

[illegible]



Earth Day concert set in QC

[illegible]

2bU LifeStyle



TAKE this route. Route 196

Night dives



ROUTE 196's spicy wings and pizza



Tired of your usual hangout? Try this laidback bar or '50s diner

By Paris Pastor
Photos by Jill Enriquez

Route 196

Where: 196-A Katipunan Ave., Blue Ridge A, Quezon City

[illegible]

Filling Station

[illegible]





Boys of Summer 2008



Buji Libarnes, beach buff

By Pam Pastor

BUJI LIBARNES CONSIDERS himself lucky. As an architect who designs beach resorts, he makes the most out of the great surf spots where his projects are.

"I get to work for a few hours in the morning, then enjoy the afternoon surf session till sundown. It's just too good to be true!"

What is your fitness regimen?

I try to surf as often as possible. Surfing is such a good workout simply because you never get tired of doing it. It's never a routine. Each and every surf session is unique and special.

What's your style, what clothes do you usually wear?

I'm fascinated by '60s designs. I really enjoy wearing clothes inspired by this era. Back then, people looked so neat and pleasant. I just find it very cool.

What do you wear in summer?

I get my clothes from Aloha Boardsports. They've got a lot of hip and surfy clothes. Perfect for summer.

"When I'm in the city I wear light-colored cotton shorts and trousers with slip-on shoes. On the beach, I just need a comfy pair of shorts and my Havaianas slippers.

What do you like seeing on girls in the summer?

I like to see girls in clothes that are apt for the season. Clothes that make them feel fresh and relaxed in the summer heat.

What scent do you like for yourself?

I don't like scents that are too strong. I like the ones that are just right, something cool and refreshing, like you just came out of the shower.

What's your favorite thing to do in summer?

When there are no waves, I ride my Sector 9 skateboard in the park or in one village and enjoy searching for new spots to skate in. It's just like surfing. You can practice your turns and even hang 10. Cool, huh? Summer's also the perfect time for me to take out my cruiser bike and just cruise at night.

Favorite summer destination?

Anywhere where there are waves to surf with friends. My favorite spots are La Union and Pagudpud. They've recently opened an artificial wave pool for surfing in Taytay, Rizal (east of Manila). It's just minutes away. I have yet to try it but my friends say it's a lot of fun.



SURFER DUDE. [illegible]

'Surfing is a good workout because you never get tired of doing it'

Life can't wait, gritty women say

LIFE CAN'T WAIT IS A BATTLE cry to inspire millions of young women around the world to get away their fears of failure and muster the confidence to start living out their true passions. [illegible]



ANNA Angara



AIMEE Marcos

Diana Barzo

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Anna Angara

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JJ Lingayo

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Aimee Marcos

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Camille Ongpauco

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Did you leave your comfort zone? Share your story with us

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Girls of Summer 2008

Getting carefree with Vicky



FRESH DRAG: Vicky is getting ready to face the world.

By Pam Pastor

TWENTY-YEAR-OLD VICKY Herrera just graduated from college so she's spending this summer resting.

"I've been doing a lot of personal reading to get my goals organized. I've been assigned some writing work, too."

When she's not preparing for the future, this Bench model is busy with castings, shoots and spending time with her family.

What is your fitness regimen?

Now that I have more time, I try to do an hour and a half to two hours in the gym everyday. I also try to eat well.

What's your personal style, what clothes do you usually wear?

I like experimenting with my style. So one day I can be quite laid-back, and another day quite trendy. I think it all depends on my mood. I love wearing things people wouldn't normally think of, and in different combinations, too.

What do you wear in summer?

Shorts or skirts with tees or tank tops. I like wearing a lot of cool shades, too.

What do you like seeing on boys in the summer?

I like seeing healthy skin and bodies. For clothing, nothing "trying too hard" or overly revealing.

What scent do you like for yourself?

I love floral scents. It's very relaxing for me.

What's your favorite thing to do in summer?

Being able to wake up later than usual—that's what she likes about summer

Being able to wake up later than usual, going to the beach with my friends, cleaning out the junk in my room, catching up on books I've always wanted to read.

What's your favorite summer destination?

New York, LA, Hong Kong.

What are your summer must-haves?

A very cute bikini, sunblock, an awesome pair of shades, a good reading book, and a fresh summer playlist on my iPod.

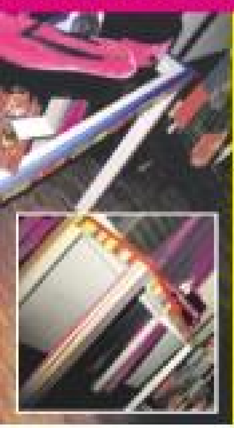
Any unforgettable summer stories?

I recently went to the beach with some friends. While we were swimming, three of my friends stepped on a sea urchin! Two other friends and I had to pee in a bottle to pour on their feet. It was so gross, but so funny at the same time.

...ew life into old furniture

DIY

Young designer slash entrepreneur Irene Pineda shows you how



Project 1

Turn a black console table into a Paul Smith fillet. Carpet-inspired one.

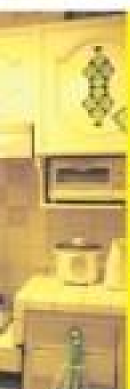
Materials: colored scotch tape (pink, yellow, green, blue), colored electric tape, scissors, cutter

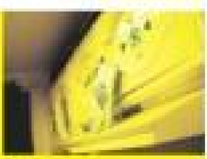
Steps: Randomly stick tape vertically around the table to form stripes.

Total Project cost: P280 (not including the table)









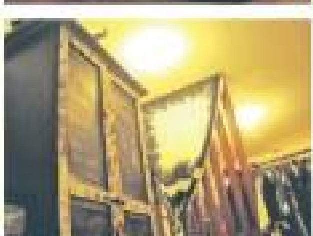
Project 2

Give your kitchen doors a floral makeover.

Materials: scrap fabric, double-sided tape, scissors

Steps: Cut fabric design to form different shapes. Using double-sided tape, stick it to the cabinet.

Total Project Cost: P120



Project 3

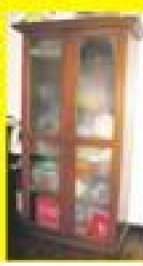
Turn a simple wooden cabinet into a fashionable message reminder.

Materials: old magazine pages, black cartolina, scissors, double-sided tape, chalk, measuring tape

Steps:

1. Measure the frame size of the cabinet door.
2. Cut magazine sheets based on the frame size.
3. Use double-sided tape to stick magazine pages to the frame.
4. Measure the size of the middle portion of the cabinet.
5. Cut and stick black cartolina to the middle portion of the door.
6. Using chalk, draw some artwork, write words or any message you want to convey.

Total project cost: P280



Healing the environment is everyone's responsibility

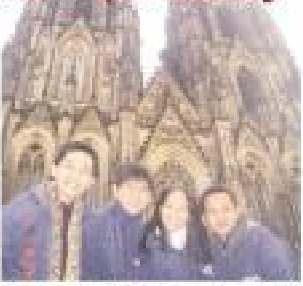
By Ramon Lorenzo Luis Rosa Guinto
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RECENTLY, I HAD THE chance to visit Germany through the Bayer Young Environmental Envoy Program.

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Young envoys

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THE AUTHOR and fellow Philippine environmental envoys in front of the Cologne Cathedral in Germany

Newfound friends

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ENTERTAINMENT

Olivia Cenizal, 80



Finding Prince Charming

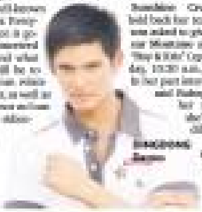
DOLLY WOOD



Dolly Anne Carvajal

RP's David Beckham?

Different tunes



DINGDONG Dantes



LEA SALONGA as Cinderella

Boy's 'Love Life'

Opening Today

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JACKIE Chan and Jet Li

The Forbidden Kingdom

88 Minutes







Finding Prince Charming

















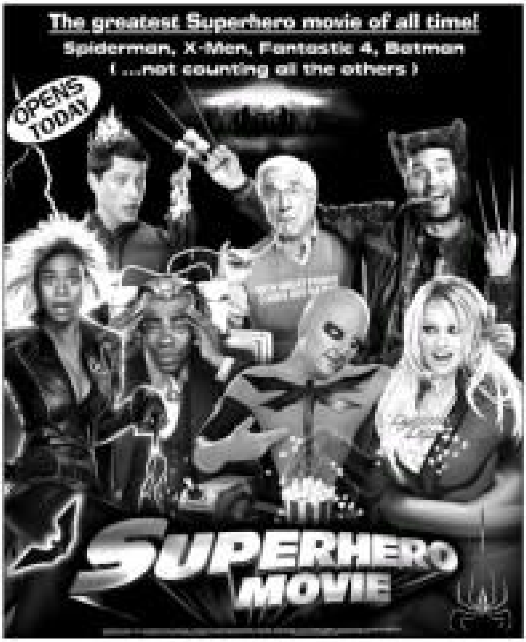


Meaningful smiles . . .









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Meaningful smiles from closeted actor and neophyte director



Rushes

Mark woos two young girls

Disturbing habit

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ENTERTAINMENT



Pancakes, wedding cakes

Lani Mercado says pregnant daughter Inah is always sleepy, and craving waffles

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Most drastic overhaul



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Did You Know...

Cate Blanchett gives birth to third child, names him Ignatius Martin

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